

FISCAL YEAR 2010 APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS

GENERAL QUESTIONNAIRE -- REP. Michael Burgess (TX-26)

Must be completed and submitted NO LATER than COB February 27, 2009

Please submit completed questionnaire to matt.johnson@mail.house.gov

PLEASE NOTE: ALL REQUESTS MUST INCLUDE A FORMAL LETTER OF REQUEST ON OFFICIAL LETTERHEAD EXPLAINING THE PROJECT. THIS QUESTIONNAIRE SHOULD ACCOMPANY, NOT REPLACE, A FORMAL LETTER OF REQUEST AND ANY OTHER QUESTIONNAIRE

I. PROJECT BACKGROUND & PURPOSE

1. Please provide a formal name for this project:

Parkland Facility Surge Capacity Design

2. Please describe the project and its purpose:

Parkland Health and Hospital System (PHHS) is requesting \$500,000 from the FY10 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations bill's Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Health Facilities Construction and Equipment for its Replacement Facility Surge Capacity Design project. Parkland is currently planning a \$1.2 billion, 862-bed acute care hospital replacement project. As the lead hospital in the North Texas area for disasters, it is essential that Parkland be ready to handle any disaster that may arise, including natural and man-made disasters. The funds sought with this project will allow us to design surge capacity into the new facility in public areas and patient rooms. When constructed, this capacity will give Parkland the ability to immediately and dramatically increase available bed space in the event of a disaster.

3. Please outline the project plan, including the finance plan:

The \$500,000 will allow for the design and construction of surge capacity in public areas and patient rooms. Design phase of new construction process will begin by end of 2011. Construction of new facility is expected to be completed by 2014.

II. BENEFIT TO THE 26th DISTRICT AND/OR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1. Please explain how this project will improve life, the economy or the general welfare of the 26th District and/or the country at-large. Please be specific (i.e. outline number of jobs created, savings to economy or taxpayers, improve national security):

The Replacement Facility Surge Capacity Design project has great significance for the North Texas region. As the lead hospital in the North Texas area for disasters, it is essential that Parkland be ready to handle any issue that may arise in our community. With the surge capacity designed into the new facility, Parkland will be better prepared to meet any number of different disaster scenarios that may require significant additional bed space. The design will be done in such a way that it is only used in the event of a disaster. During normal daily operations, it will be concealed and non-obstructive. In addition, hundreds of architects, consultants and construction workers will be used in the design and construction of the new

hospital. In 2008, Parkland served 50,034 unique inpatients including 590 from the 26th Congressional District.

2. Please explain why this project should be considered a priority:

Since Parkland is in the planning phases of the replacement project, the hospital has the capability to incorporate best practices into the design and construction rather than retrofitting our current facility. This will serve as a national model for other construction projects throughout the country. Parkland is the regional emergency management health system for the region and for Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

III. REQUEST

1. Amount of money you are requesting:

\$500,000

2. Agency from which you are requesting funds:

Labor – HHS

3. Account from which you are requesting funds:

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) - Health Facilities Construction and Equipment

IV. FUNDING HISTORY

1. What is the total project cost and can you provide a federal-state/local-other funding breakdown?

Current estimates place the design phase for surge capacity to be approximately \$1 million. The federal share would be \$500,000.

2. Has the project ever received federal funds before? If so, please elaborate.

No.

3. Has the project received state, local or private funds before? If so, please elaborate.

To date, approximately \$82 million has been raised from private sources for the first of a 5-year, \$150 million capital campaign to raise funds for the new hospital project.

4. Can you demonstrate a commitment for future funds from state, local, or private sectors? If so, please elaborate to the extent possible.

Parkland is currently engaged in the first year of 5-year, \$150 million capital campaign to raise funds for the new hospital project.

5. How do you intend to spend federal funds for this project (operating, construction, studies, equipment purchase, salaries, other)?

The \$500,000 will allow for the design and construction of surge capacity in public areas and patient rooms.

6. Does the project request stem from a currently-funded federal program (i.e., an already existing congressional authorization)? If so, please explain and be as specific as possible.

No.

V. PROJECT HISTORY

1. Please briefly explain the level of support for the project in the local and any other community (if letters of support exist, please attach to this form).

Parkland is the first responder disaster hospital for the North Texas region including for the Dallas/Ft. Worth International Airport. This project will benefit every resident and visitor to the North Texas community.

2. Has the project encountered any objections within the local or other interested communities? If so, please describe (if letters or official records exist noting objections to the project, please attach to this form).

No.

3. Please briefly explain the current stage and expected timeline of the project in as great a detail as possible.

Parkland Health & Hospital System is currently planning a \$1.2 billion, 862-bed acute care hospital replacement project. Design phase of new construction process will begin by end of 2011. Construction of new facility is expected to be completed by 2014.

VI. CONTACTS

1. Who is the primary point of contact for the request?

Steven Bristow, Director, Legislative Affairs

2. Contact information (telephone and e-mail):

214-590-6182 (office)

214-263-3970 (cell)

steven.bristow@parknet.pmh.org

3. Mailing address of entity that would receive the funding?

5201 Harry Hines Blvd
Dallas, TX 75235

VII. TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

1. How much of this request can be spent in fiscal year 2009?

2. If this is a highway, transit, rail, or aviation request, did you check eligibility with the state DOT, FTA, FRA, or FAA?

2a. If yes, did the agency indicate the project is eligible under the account requested?

3. If this is an FHWA request, is the project considered by the state and/or regional transportation officials as critical to their needs?

4. If a highway request, is the project on the state's transportation improvement plan?

PRIORITY PROJECT REQUEST CRITERIA

CERTIFICATION:

I, Steven Bristow, ATTEST THAT THIS PROJECT REQUEST MADE ON BEHALF OF
Parkland Health and Hospital System MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

1. All appropriations requests must be a priority for the 26th District and/or the country-at large as defined as enhancing life, liberty, or the general welfare.
2. All requests must be a proper and wise use of federal taxpayer dollars and must be justified as such. Projects that include a commitment to match federal funds will receive priority consideration.
3. All requests will be immediately posted on the website and supporting documentation made available to press outlets and interested individuals.
4. None of the funding requested will be used for a building, program, or project that has been named for Congressman Michael C. Burgess, M.D. No request will be made that Congressman Burgess or his spouse has any financial interest.
5. All requests shall be made in accordance with House of Representatives rules, and within Appropriations Committee deadlines. No funding request will be submitted after the deadline established by the Committee

Name of person certifying Steven Bristow

Title of person certifying Director, Legislative Affairs

Project name as it will appear in the bill
Parkland Facility Surge Capacity Design

Legal name of entity making request
Dallas Co. Hospital District d/b/a Parkland Health & Hospital System (PHHS)

Address
5201 Harry Hines Blvd
Dallas, TX 75235

Signature

Date